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SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 STATE

CRIMINAL JUSTICE PLANNING FUNDS GRANT APPLICATION AND RESOLUTION TO THE GOVERNOR TO ESTABLISH A HUMAN TRAFFICKING UNIT IN THE CRIMINAL DISTRICT

**ATTORNEY'S OFFICE** 

## COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the submission of the FY 2024 State Criminal Justice Planning Funds grant application and resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, to establish a Human Trafficking Unit in the Criminal District Attorney's (CDA) Office, which will be comprised of four (4) positions.

## **BACKGROUND**

Human trafficking is increasing at an alarming rate across Texas. A Human Trafficking Unit is needed in Tarrant County to fully seek justice on behalf of survivors and maximize the newly implemented county-coordinated trauma-based team approach.

The CDA's Office is requesting funds to establish a Human Trafficking Unit comprised of a Chief Prosecutor, Investigator, Victim Advocate, and support staff.

Budget and Risk Management Office staff have reviewed the application.

## FISCAL IMPACT

The requested amount is \$496,567.92. No match is required for the grant.

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